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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 64 of the First Extraordinary Session
By Baird

A RESOLUTION to honor Brother Delmas and Rose Bruce of
Campbell County for 34 years of service.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of the state of Tennessee should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary citizens who have given unselfishly of themselves, their time and their talents for the good of the community; and

WHEREAS, one such remarkable person is Brother Delmas Bruce, who has provided the community with healing prayer, a lending ear and spiritual support for the past 34 years; and

WHEREAS, Brother Delmas began his service for the Lord as pastor of a small church in Washington state, where he was also superintendent of a large apple orchard; and

WHEREAS, he sacrificed the opportunity to own a multimillion dollar apple orchard business to return to the Stanfield Church of God in the Stinking Creek community to preach and minister to the spiritual needs of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, as an exemplary shepherd, Brother Delmas is always available and has conducted more weddings and funerals than any other active pastor in Campbell County; and

WHEREAS, Brother Delmas, not unlike others, may sometimes suffer from the physical exhaustion that can plague our earthly bodies, but he is never too tired to perform the work of God and uplift His name at all times; and

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WHEREAS, a dedicated servant such as Brother Delmas needs support to continue on his journey for the Lord; he is most appreciative of the love and companionship of his wife, Rose, who has also given to the community for the past 34 years, and their 3 children, Ron, Debbie and Marsha; and

WHEREAS, he has worked tirelessly in his service, not for applause or acclaim, but rather for the satisfaction of knowing that he has helped the people in his community for over 34 years while on his Christian mission; and

WHEREAS, it is not often that a man of Brother Delmas' stature walks among us, and it is important that we honor him for his strong character and selfless good works; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor Brother Delmas Bruce and Rose Bruce for their 34 years of devoted service to the Stanfield Church of God and the Stinking Creek community and for their dedication to fulfilling their Christian mission through their good works and deeds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.